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1. PARA 2 REFTTEL MENTIONED ANOTHER TUNA BOAT ENCOUNTERED IN SALINAS BY CONSULAR OFFICER WHEN HE WENT TO ASSIST ARRIVAL OF F/V TERESA JANENE. F/V ISABEL II IS SPANISH REGISTRY WITH AMCIT CAPTAIN. PROBLEM ENCOUNTERED WAS FACT CAPTAIN BROUGHT VESSEL INTO PORT AND AFTER ANCHORING LEFT VESSEL TO GO ASHORE WITHOUT PROPER CLEARANCES FROM PORT CAPTAIN, HEALTH AUTHORITIES AND IMMIGRATION OFFICER. POSSIBLE FINE OF SUCRES 5,000 (200 DOLLARS) MAY BE LEVIED. OUR CONSULAR OFFICER SCoured TOWN BUT WAS UNABLE TO FIND CAPTAIN.

2. LOCAL CAPITANIA OFFICIAL (NOT PORT CAPTAIN HIMSELF) TOLD VICE CONSUL THAT SINCE CAPTAIN OF ISABEL II IS U.S. CITIZEN FINE PROBABLY WOULD NOT BE LEVIED. WE DO NOT KNOWN HOWEVER WHAT WILL BE ACTUAL OUTCOME AT THIS POINT. I MENTION THIS AS INDICATION OF LOCAL DESIRE TO AVOID PROBLEMS WITH U.S. TUNA INDUSTRY.

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3. ALSO, WHEN I CALLED ON NEW PORT CAPTAIN IN MANTA LAST WEEK

HE TOLD ME THAT VERY FRANKLY SPEAKING THERE WILL BE NO TROUBLE
THIS YEAR WITH TUNA BOATS. LET US HOPE SO.
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